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**JAMES CULNAN
CATHOLIC
SCHOOL
ADVISORY
COUNCIL**

**OUR NEXT
MEETING WILL
BE ON TUESDAY,
JUNE 2ND AT
7 PM
IN THE
STAFF ROOM**

**ALL ARE
WELCOME TO
ATTEND!**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

For the month of June, we focus on the virtue of Faithfulness. The quote from John's gospel reminds us, "Happy are those who have not seen, yet still believe." By doing so, we all become true witnesses to Christ, extending the kingdom of God and building a more humane world.

The final weeks of school are always busy, and this year is certainly no exception. Many activities have been planned for June, including soccer tournaments, SK and Grade 8 Graduations, class excursions and presentations, Play Day, Talent Show, opening ceremonies for our kindergarten yard, and of course, our annual Spring Fair hosted by CSAC on June 11th. I'd like to thank our dedicated parent council for the many hours of work that has gone into preparing this year's fair. It's sure to be a wonderful event and I look forward to seeing everyone here on the 11th.

As with every June, this is a time for endings and new beginnings. Our Grade 8 students will celebrate their graduation at St. James Church on Thursday, June 18th. We wish all of our graduates much luck, success, and happiness as they prepare for the next phase of their academic careers – high school. I'm certain that James Culnan Catholic School has prepared you well for this next chapter in your lives.

Finally, on behalf of the entire school community, I wish to extend best wishes to our CSAC Chair, Ms. Kasia Smith and her family, who are moving out-of-country and will therefore not be back to James Culnan in September. Ms. Smith has done an outstanding job leading our parent council and will be greatly missed next year. Thank you, Ms. Smith for all you've done to make our school a better place!

I wish all of you a safe and happy summer.

God Bless!
Stephen Dempsey
Principal



ANAPHYLAXIS ALERT
Allergen-Aware Environment

Please take special note that we have children in our school who have a very serious, **life-threatening allergy to tree nuts, peanuts, all nut/peanut products, all seafood products**, called Anaphylaxis. We are notifying all parents that students **should not bring any nuts, peanuts, peanut butter or any food containing nuts or peanut products such as peanut oil, sesame seeds, etc., as well as any seafood products to school.**

Safe Arrival and Dismissal

School supervision is from 8:00 a.m. until 3:15 p.m. Students will not be granted access in the school other than during the hours that supervision is available. Please ensure that your child/children are not arriving at the school before 8:00. At the end of the day, if your child/children do not take a school bus the children are to be picked up promptly at 3:00 pm when school is finished for the day. TCDSB Safe Schools policy stresses the importance of students being properly supervised while on school premises.

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Fr. Karm Borg, who has served the parish of St. Paul the Apostle for the last fourteen years, has decided to move to a new assignment in Malta. He will, unfortunately, be leaving us sometime in September of this year. Fr. Karm has stated that this was not a easy decision on his part. Needless to say he will be missed by all. You are, therefore cordially invited to attend his Thanksgiving Mass and reception which will take place on Sunday, September 13th. The evening will commence with a Thanksgiving Mass presided by Fr. Karm at 5:00 pm. This will be followed by a reception in the lower hall, next to the church. If you would like any info, do not hesitate to contact the rectory and speak to Rita or Fr. Dominic, Associate Pastor at 416-767-7054.



NOTICE

**ALL VISITORS
 MUST REGISTER
 AT OFFICE**

**VISITING THE
 SCHOOL**

We value the importance of making James Culnan a welcoming place for our parent community. This, of course, has to be balanced with the school's obligation to ensure a safe environment for all students. When visiting the school, **always report immediately to the office.** Never travel the halls or go to classrooms without first getting permission from Ms. Curcic or Mr. Dempsey.

Warmer Weather

It is important to remember to protect ourselves from the changes in the weather regardless of the time of year. As the days get longer and the sun gets hotter we need to remember to drink plenty of water, cover up from too much sun exposure and use sunscreen daily. Even on overcast days remember the sunscreen.



Dress Code

A reminder to all families that the TCDSB has a common dress code for students in elementary schools. Students must wear of any combination of white and navy garments (i.e. plain white or navy blue top with a plain navy blue bottom; no denim or jeans). Students are expected to wear this attire while at school, on excursions, participating in competitions and tournaments and attending mass at St. James Church. Be sure to keep this in mind as you prepare your back-to-school shopping lists at the end of the summer.

